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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

11 Plaintiff,

v.

12 DEONTE RASUL-CHIONO,

13 Defendant.

CASE NO. CR16-0006-JCC

ORDER

15 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Deonte Rasul-Chiono's unopposed
16 motion to unseal (Dkt. No. 50). On April 10, 2020, the Court issued an arrest warrant under seal
17 because Mr. Rasul-Chiono allegedly violated the conditions of his supervision. (Dkt. No 49.)
18 Such warrants, along with their corresponding petitions and memoranda, are ordinarily filed
19 under seal to reduce the risk that the person named in the warrant might flee. *See* W.D. Wash.
20 Local Crim. R. 55(b)(3). However, there is no risk that Mr. Rasul-Chiono will flee because he is
21 already incarcerated at the King County Jail pending other criminal charges. (*See* Dkt. No. 50 at
22 2.) Accordingly, there is little reason to keep the recently filed warrant, petition, and
23 memorandum under seal. In addition, giving Mr. Rasul-Chiono access to those documents will
24 allow his counsel to better represent him. Accordingly, the Court GRANTS Mr. Rasul-Chiono's
25 motion and DIRECTS the Clerk to unseal the recently filed warrant (Dkt. No. 49), petition (Dkt.
26 No. 47), and memorandum (Dkt. No. 48).

1 DATED this 29th day of May 2020.
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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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